

REMARKS

Claims 1-30 are pending and under consideration. Claims 2-5, 8-13, 17-26 and 28 are objected to.

The rejections based on Swindler are respectfully traversed.

Independent claim 1 recites a holder having a lock, slidably combined to the main board. In contrast, Swindler teaches a locking bar 34 pivotably mounted to the ledge 24 of the cage 12. Swindler, FIG. 1. The cage 12 is stationary, and the locking bar 34 pivots. Thus, neither of these elements is "slidably" combined to the main board, as claimed.

Furthermore, independent claim 16 recites that the main board is slid along the main board attaching surface from the initial position. In contrast, Swindler teaches that the expansion cards 14 are inserted into the cage 12 without sliding. Swindler, FIG. 1.

Still further, independent claim 30 recites placing the main board on the main board attaching surface in an initial position, and sliding the main board from the initial position to a holding position. Since the expansion cards 14 of Swindler do not slide into the cage 12 of Swindler, this reference does not teach sliding from a first position to a second position.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejections is requested.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.


Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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